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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2002 ("Paper No. 8"), please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 9 and 19 without prejudice to their future prosecution. Please enter the following new claims. For the convenience of the Examiner, a clean set of pending claims is provided herewith as Appendix A.

23. (New) A method for predicting cardiac mortality rate in a patient, comprising:

drawing a sample of a body fluid from a patient;

contacting said sample with a first antibody that specifically binds to a first marker

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